

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A cutting guide, comprising:  
  
a body portion having a leading edge and an opening therethrough; and  
  
an engagement portion concentrically attached to the body portion;  
  
wherein the leading edge is adapted to guide a saw while a cut is being made in a material.
2. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the engagement portion is shaped to conform to the material.
3. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the engagement portion is constructed of one of rubber and plastic.
4. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the opening in the body portion is adapted to accept a portion of a user's hand.
5. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the body portion is constructed of one of metal and plastic.
6. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the body portion is cylindrical in shape.
7. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the body portion is rectangular in shape.

8. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the leading edge of the body portion includes a groove for fitting into a cutting guide holder attached to a saw.

9. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the body portion is constructed of a hardened metal.

10. The cutting guide of claim 1, wherein the engagement portion is removably replaceable.

11. A saw, comprising:

a blade; and

a handle attached to the blade, wherein the handle includes a cutting guide holder, the cutting guide holder including a plurality of raised portions adapted to engage a body portion of a cutting guide to securely retain the cutting guide on the handle.

12. The saw of claim 11, wherein the saw is one of a hacksaw, a crosscut saw, a miter saw, a coping saw, a dovetail saw, a bow saw, and a keyhole saw.

13. The saw of claim 11, wherein the raised portions are constructed of one of plastic and metal.

14. The saw of claim 11, wherein the raised portions are attached to the handle.

15. The saw of claim 11, wherein the raised portions are molded into the handle.

16. The saw of claim 11, wherein the plurality of raised portions are adapted to engage a groove in the body portion of the cutting guide.

17. A cutting guide, comprising:
- a body portion having a leading edge and an opening therethrough; and
- means for engaging a material to be cut, the means for engaging a material attached to the body portion;
- wherein the leading edge is adapted to guide a saw while a cut is being made in a material.
18. The cutting guide of claim 17, wherein the means for engaging a material is concentrically attached to the body portion.
19. The cutting guide of claim 17, wherein the means for engaging a material is removably attached to the body portion.
20. The cutting guide of claim 17, wherein the means for engaging a material is shaped to conform to the material.